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TITLE: BUFFER DEVICE FOR A WELDING WIRE AND WELDING UNIT

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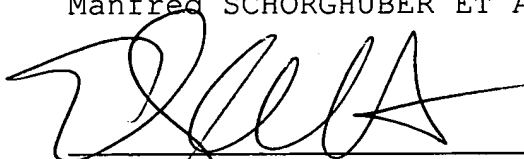
Supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 5, 2005, the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on January 4, 2008, the Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 9, 2009, and the Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 11, 2009, Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 citing WO 02/090034 discussed in the specification at page 18. A computer-generated translation of the specification and claims of WO 02/090034 is also being submitted herewith.

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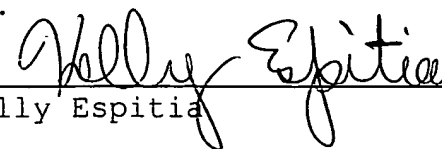
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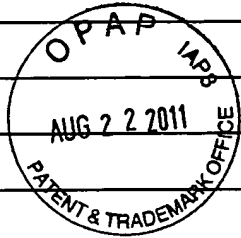
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	AG	WO 02/090034	11/2002	International (Spec., pg. 18) (with computer-generated English translation)				
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